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CABLEGRAM DATED 21 AUGUST 1948 FROM THE HYDERABAD GOVERNMENT
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General, not being in a position to determine whether he is required by the rules of procedure to circulate this communication, brings it to the attention of the Security Council, for such action as the Council may desire to take.

"I have the honour to inform you that on the instructions of the Hyderabad Government I have today communicated to you by airmail a letter addressed from Hyderabad House, 6 Palace Green, London W8, dated 21 August 1948, No. DEL 9, signed by me, reading as follows:

'Sir,

'The Government of Hyderabad, in reliance on Article 35 (2) of the Charter of the United Nations, requests you to bring to the attention of the Security Council the grave dispute which has arisen between Hyderabad and India, and which, unless settled in accordance with international law and justice, is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security. Hyderabad has been exposed in recent months to violent intimidation, to threats of invasion, and to crippling economic blockade which has inflicted cruel hardship upon the people of Hyderabad and which is intended to coerce it into a renunciation of its independence. The frontiers have been forcibly violated and Hyderabad villages have been occupied by Indian troops. The action of India threatens the existence of Hyderabad, the peace of the Indian and entire Asiatic continent, and the principles of the United Nations. The Government of Hyderabad is collecting and will shortly present to the Security Council abundant documentary evidence substantiating the present complaint. Hyderabad, a State not a member of the United Nations, accepts for the purposes of the dispute the obligations of pacific settlement provided in the Charter of the United Nations.

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'It is understood that the submission of the present complaint to the Security Council does not prejudice the submission of the dispute to the General Assembly.

'I am, Sir, your most obedient servant,

Zahir Ahmed

Secretary to the Government of the Nizam of Hyderabad
and Berar in the Department of External Affairs.'

"2. I have furthermore sent to you today by registered airmail the authority in original signed personally by the Nizam of Hyderabad and Berar under which I have signed the above-quoted letter on behalf of the Hyderabad Government.

Zahir Ahmed"
